UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

VERONICA GUTIERREZ, TIM FOX, ERIN WALKER and WILLIAM SMITH, as individual, and on behalf of all others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs, Case No. CV-07-5923 WHA (JCSx)

vs.

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WELLS FARGO & COMPANY; WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A; and DOES 1 through 125,

Defendants.

DEPOSITION OF ERIN WALKER REDLANDS, CALIFORNIA FRIDAY, JUNE 13, 2008

Reported By: PATRICIA Y. SCHULER RPR, CSR No. 11949 Job No. 89824

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1	BY MS. WINNER:
2	Q. I would like to ask the reporter to mark as
3	Exhibit 131 a document entitled "Consumer Account
4	Agreement Effective October 2, 2006," Bates
5	No. WFB-G 844 to 911.
6	Would you take as much time as you need,
7	Ms. Walker. Just take a look at this document and
8	tell me if you recall whether you have ever seen it
9	before.
10	MR. MCCUNE: Just to assist her, this would
11	have been an agreement
12	MS. WINNER: The original?
13	MR. MCCUNE: Yes.
14	MS. WINNER: It probably would have looked
15	something like this (indicating).
16	THE WITNESS: Okay. The question is, have I
17	ever seen it before?
18	BY MS. WINNER:
19	Q. Do you recall whether you have ever seen it
20	before?
21	A. Yes.
22	Q. When have you seen it before?
23	A. A few days ago.
24	Q. Under what circumstances did you see it a

few days ago?

1	A. With my counsel.
2	Q. Do you recall whether you have seen it
3	before that?
4	A. No.
5	Q. By the way, when you were pulling together
6	documents to produce in this case, did you ever ask
7	your mother if she had any documents about your
8	account?
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10	was mine.
11	and you ask her whether she
12	had any documents about your account that you did not
	talk about?
13	A. I did not.
14	(Exhibit 132 was marked for identification.)
15	BY MS. WINNER:
16	Q. I would like to ask the reporter to mark as
17	Exhibit 132 a document entitled "Consumer Account Fee
18	and Information Schedule Effective April 3, 2006."
19	Ms. Walker, do you recall whether you have
20	ever seen this document before?
21	A. Yes.
22	Q. And when do you recall last having seen it?
23	A. A few days ago.
24	Q. That is when you were meeting with your
25	counsel?
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	nderstanding about what an "overdraft" was?
A.	No.
Q.	Did you understand that there was any limit
on how muc	ch you could spend out of that account?
A.	I assumed that it would be whatever was in
my account	t.
Q.	What was the basis for that assumption?
A.	If I don't have money, I can't spend money.
Q.	Do you recall any discussion of that subject
that day?	
A.	No.
Q.	Did you understand that if you had an
overdraft	on your account, the bank would charge a few
for that?	
A.	No.
Q.	When did you first come to understand that?
A.	When I incurred an overdraft fee.
٥.	Did you understand that you had a

- - responsibility to keep track of the money that you spent out of the account?
 - A. Yes, I did.

- Did you write checks? Q.
- Not too often, but occasionally. A.
- When you did write checks, did you keep any Q. record of that?

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1	A. Like in a check record?
2	Q. Yes.
3	A. No. But I was aware that I had written a
4	check.
5	Q. So you just kept track of it mentally?
6	A. Um-hmm.
7	Q. That was a "yes"?
8	A. Yes.
9	Q. Did you do anything to keep track of debit
10	card transactions that you made?
11	A. I would periodically check online.
12	Q. What would you check for online?
13	A. I would check my available balance.
14	Q. Did you check to see whether the purchases
15	that you had made with your debit card showed up
16	online?
17	A. Yes.
18	Q. How often did you do that?
19	A. Fairly often.
20	Q. What do you mean by "fairly often"?
21	A. Almost before every purchase.
22	Q. So before a purchase you would look online
23	to see if all the other purchases you had made were

I would check my available balance, and I

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there?

1	would also check my purchase record.
2	Q. When you say your "purchase record," what do
3	you mean?
4	A. Whatever that tab is where the stuff breaks
5	down, it will always state, "You spent this much at
6	this location."
7	Q. Did you ever see if there were purchases you
8	had made that were not on what you refer to as your
9	"purchase record"?
10	A. I believe if the amount was in parentheses,
11	that was still pending.
12	Q. What did "pending" mean?
13	A. Pending means hadn't gone through yet.
L 4	Q. Did you ever notice sometimes that there
15	were some that weren't there at all?
L6	A. Not specifically.
L7	Q. Did you generally have any recollection of
L8	that ever happening?
L9	A. Yes.
20	Q. Did you do anything about that?
21	A. No.
22	Q. Did you believe that the bank knew about
23	checks you wrote before they were presented to the
24	bank for payment?
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Q. If you wrote a check, did you have an
understanding about whether or not the bank knew about
it as soon as you wrote it, or whether the bank would
not know about it until later?
A. Checks usually were you give it to the
institution and then they have to cash it before the
money is drawn from my account.
Q. The bank would not know about it until it
was cashed, correct?
A. I don't know what you mean by that.
Q. Well, did you assume that as soon as you
wrote a check, the bank knew about that check and was
taking it into account in your available balance?
A. No.
Q. You said you checked your account, you
checked your available balance.
How did you do that?
A. Online.
Q. Did you use any other method for that?
A. I don't think so.
Q. Do you have a computer at school with you?
A. Um-hmm, yes.
Q. And do you have one at home?
A. Yes.

When did you enroll in online banking with

1	Q. Again, there, it says little about
2	halfway down the page under "Checking" it says,
3	"Available balance" and it provides an amount. Above
4	that it says, "Ending balance" and provides an amount.

Do you see that?

- A. Right. Yes, I do.
- Q. Are those things that you would look at?
- A. Yes.

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- Q. Now, next to "Available balance" there is a link that says, "What's this."
 - A. Um-hmm.
 - Q. Have you ever clicked on that link?
- 13 A. No. I knew what available balance meant.
 - Q. How did you know what available balance meant?
 - A. Meaning money available.
 - Q. Well, how was it calculated?
 - A. Based off of my purchases.
 - Q. You said you knew, how did you come to know that?
 - A. Seems simple enough.
 - Q. If you would turn to the next page, the very top, there is a definition of "available balance." If you would just read that to yourself.
 - A. Okay.

1 Α. I don't know if they were in there at the 2 time. Are there any -- from your perspective, are 3 **Q**. there any inaccuracies in either of these two 5 paragraphs? I did not do any of the calculations. 6 Α. 7 counsel did. So, for example, in the last sentence of 8 Ο. 9 paragraph 19 where it says that you had at least 10 \$53.05 in your account, at a particular time, you 11 don't personally know whether that is correct or not? 12 I am sure when I made the purchase, I knew I 13 had money in the account. As to when it hit my 14 account, that I don't know. 15 My question is, do you know where that --Q. 16 the specific number of \$53.05 comes from? 17 Α. That I don't know. 18 Do you have a specific recollection, as you 19 sit here today, of that particular purchase you made 20 from Jackson Market in Culver City? 21 I know I made it -- no, I actually don't 22 know what day it was or -- obviously if I went through 23 everything, I would see what day it was. But my question is, as you are sitting here, 24 **Q**. 25 do you remember -te ir

1	A. No.
2	Q going to the store that day and making
3	that purchase? Is it something you remember, or is it
4	something you just know happened because you have seen
5	paperwork since then that said you did it?
6	A. Well, I go there often. So I can't remember
7	specifically.
8	Q. So would it be fair to say that this
9	particular purchase you don't specifically recall
10	today?
11	A. Specifically, that I don't know.
12	Q. Do you specifically recall whether or not on
13	May 29, 2007 before you went to Jackson Market, you
14	checked your account balance?
15	A. That I don't know.
16	Q. Do you have any specific recollection of
17	checking your account balance on May 29, 2007?
18	A. That I don't know.
19	Q. Do you have any written record of whether or
20	not you checked your account balance on May 29, 2007?
21	A. I would not know.
22	Q. Do you have any specific recollection of
23	whether or not you checked your account balance on
24	May 30, 2007?
25	A. I don't know.

Q. Do you have any specific recollection of
whether you checked your account balance on June 1,
2007?
A. I am sure I did.
Q. My question is, do you have any specific
recollection of having done that on June 1, 2007?
A. Specifically, no.
Q. Do you have any written record of having
checked your account balance on either May 30 or
June 1, 2007?
A. Specifically, no.
(Exhibit 141 was marked for identification.)
BY MS. WINNER:
Q. I would like to ask the reporter to mark as
Exhibit 141 a document entitled "Account Statement
May 24, through June 25, 2007," production
No. GUT 000500 to 504.
Ms. Walker, this is one of the documents
that was produced to us by your counsel in this
litigation.
Is this something that you provided to him
to produce?
A. Yes.
Q. This is I will also tell you this is the
only one of your account statements that was provided
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First of all, Ms. Walker, if you would just
take a look at Exhibit 148 and tell me if you
recognize it.
A. I do.
Q. What do you recognize it as being?
A. My answers to to questions from
Wells Fargo.
Q. I think you repeated the word "to." So your
answers to questions from Wells Fargo. Is that what
you meant to say, not just the number "2"?
A. Right, yeah.
Q. The next to last page in this exhibit
this is a page that's titled "Verification." Can you
see if you can find that.
A. Yes.
Q. Is that your signature on that page?
A. Yes, it is.
Q. Did you sign it on or about April 21?
A. Yes, I did.
Q. How did you come to sign it? Was it mailed
to you to sign, and you returned it?
A. These were scanned and emailed to me, and I
signed it and scanned it and emailed it back.
Q. Did you read this document before you signed

the verification?

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- Q. Had you reviewed drafts of it before that?
- A. Not to my knowledge.
- Q. At the time that you signed the verification, did you believe these interrogatory answers were accurate and complete?
- A. There are two sets, right, of interrogatories?
- Q. Well, I am just asking you about the ones that are in front of you. These particular answers at the time you signed the verification for these answers, did you believe that they were accurate and complete?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. As you sit here today, do you still believe that these answers are accurate and complete?
 - A. Context.
 - Q. Feel free. Take as much time as you need.
 - A. These are correct.
- Q. So are they still accurate and complete, as far as you are aware?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Without giving me any details, just answer "yes" or "no." Did you have assistance from your attorneys in preparing the answers to these

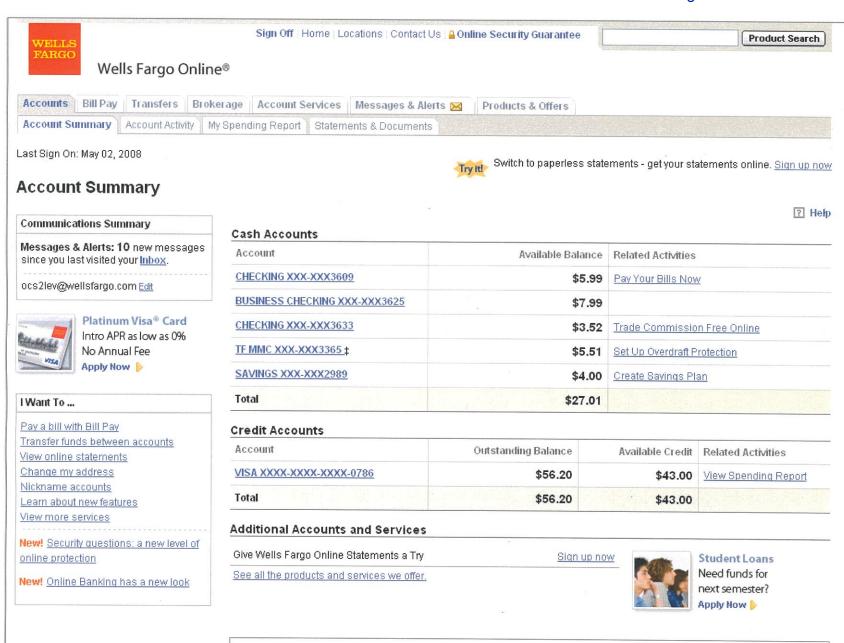
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1	Q. Did you ever read anything from Wells Fargo
2	that told you that?
3	A. No.
4	Q. Was there anything that you saw or heard
5	from anywhere else that led you to believe that?
6	A. No.
7	Q. Let's look at interrogatory No. 3.
8	A. Okay.
9	Q. First of all, if you would read the question
10	to yourself.
11	A. Okay.
12	Q. Then if you would read the first paragraph
13	of the response.
14	A. Okay.
15	Q. Is that paragraph, the first paragraph of
16	the response to interrogatory No. 3, accurate?
17	A. From the question, I don't understand what
18	the challenge statement is pertaining to.
19	Q. That's fair enough. Let me see. I think I
20	have a copy of the original interrogatory that has the
21	definition.
22	(Exhibit 149 was marked for identification.)
23	BY MS. WINNER:
24	Q. I would ask the reporter to mark as
25	Exhibit 149 a document entitled "Special

1	Interrogatories from Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. to
2	Plaintiff Veronica Gutierrez, Set One."
3	Ms. Walker, this is actually the version
4	that was given to one of the other plaintiffs, but the
5	one you got, I will represent to you, would have been
6	the same except the name would have been different.
7	A. Okay.
8	Q. There is a set of definitions that begins on
9 '	the second page and includes, I think, the one you
10	were expressing confusion about. So if you read any
11	of the definitions you think you have to, and then we
12	can go back to the answer I was asking you about.
13	A. And your question was?
14	Q. Is the first paragraph of your response to
15	interrogatory No. 3 accurate?
16	A. Yes.
17	Q. The response to interrogatory 3 then goes on
18	to say, "However, my counsel was aware of other
19	statements, and this response includes statements
20	known by my counsel."
21	Do you see that?
22	A. Yes.
23	Q. And then it goes on to list some other
24	statements.
25	A. Okay.

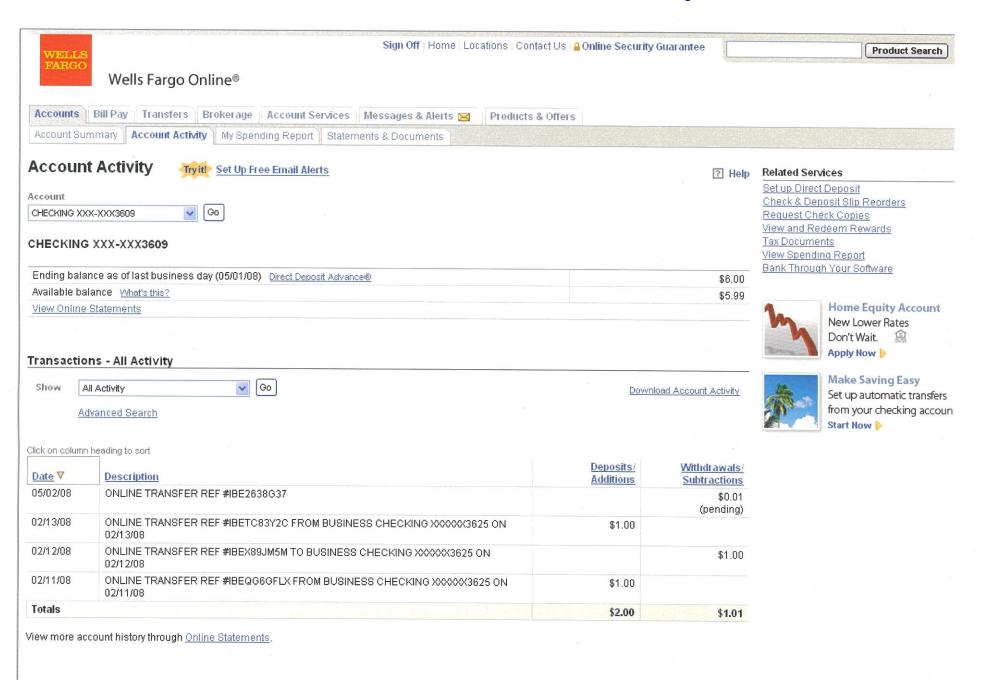
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When it finally hits my account. So when it

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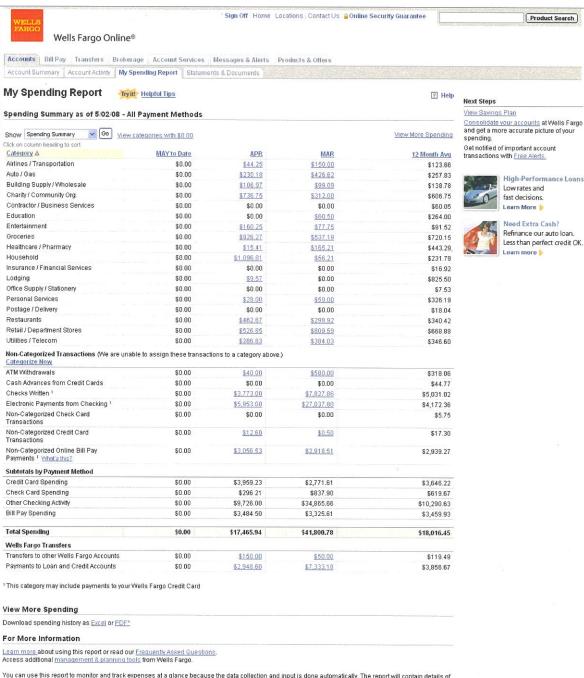
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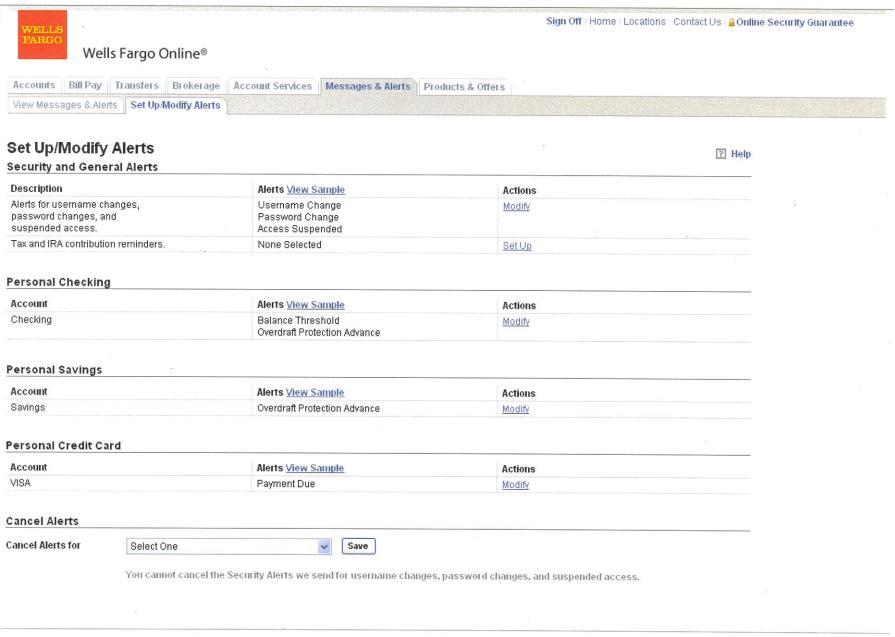
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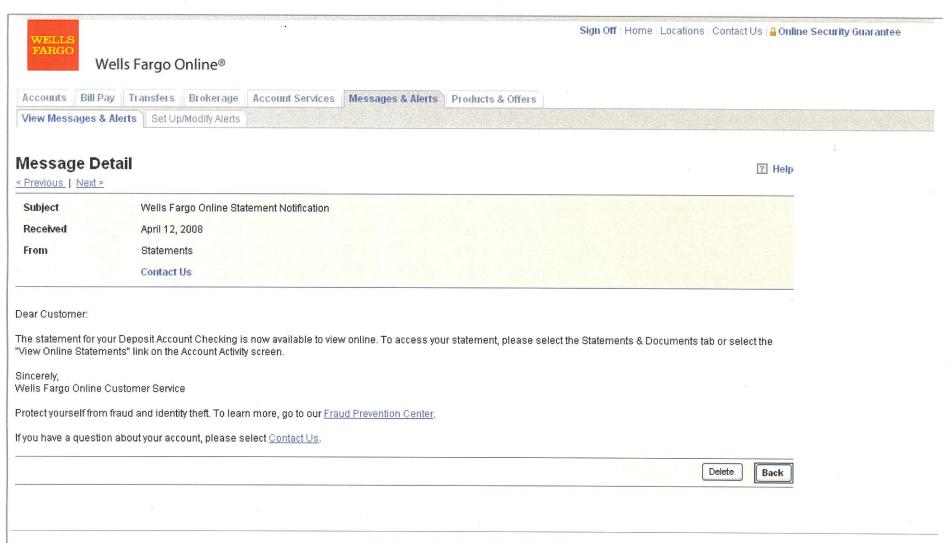
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